National Pesticide Reform Coalition: NGO meeting with EPA Pesticides Leadership

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Room S12100. Potomac Yards South, 2777 Crystal Drive, Arlington, VA

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AGENDA

1.Process issues

- --EPA pesticide/chemicals leadership
- --impacts of reduced EPA budget
- --EPA comment periods in new administration
- --EPA response to petitions
- --EPA use of conditional registrations in light of flubendiamide cancellation proceedings
- -- EPA regulatory rollbacks

2. Chlorpyrifos decision

Questions about decision-making process and avenues for public participation.

3. Endangered Species Act

Biological assessments for chlorpyrifos, diazinon and malathion – input from Dow et al.

4. Worker Protection Standard

- --Update on process for approving WPS training materials from non-EPA funded entities
- -- Update on the bilingual label project

5.Atrazine

Changes in the aquatic life benchmark.

6. Glyphosate

Glyphosate risk assessment process, scientific studies, role of Monsanto.

7. Carbofuran

FWS investigators confirmed that this largely-banned pesticide was responsible for the many bald eagle deaths in DelMarVa.

8.Pollinators (to extent not covered in PPDC)

- --Treated Article Exemption and coated seeds
- --National Pollinator Strategy
- --Biological opinions for listed species including aquatic invertebrates?
- -- Ecological risk assessments

9. Contraceptive pest control

- --Avitrol risk assessment final work plan
- -- Update on contraceptive pest control technologies ContraPest, OvoControl, etc.

10.Migratory Bird Treaty Act

Rollout and implementation plans